

REMARKS

In view of the above-listed amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested. The instant After-Final response is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application and does not require a further search. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the instant response be entered.

Claims 1-42 were pending in this application. The Examiner rejected claims 1-35, 37-39, and 41. The Examiner indicated that claims 36, 40, and 42 were allowable. Claims 1-35, 37-39, and 41 have been canceled. New dependent claims 43-54 have been added dependent to allowed claim 36. These new dependent claims are substantially similar to, and supported by, original dependent claims 2-12 and 17.

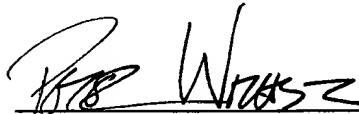
In light of the amendments to the claims noted above, reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that the instant claims should be allowed and that the instant application is in condition for allowance. Applicant further submits that this After Final response does not require an additional search. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests entry of this After Final response and favorable reconsideration of the application, withdrawal of the rejections, and prompt issuance of the Notice of Allowance.

Please charge any fees incurred by reason of this response and not paid herewith to Deposit
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